



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q79484

SONE, Takuo, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/759,299

Group Art Unit: 1713

Confirmation No.: 7184

Examiner: Kelechi Chidi Egwim

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For: METHOD OF PRODUCING CONJUGATED DIENE POLYMERS

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please review and enter the following remarks summarizing the interview conducted on November 17, 2005 with Examiner Kelechi C. Egwim. This statement is being filed to comply with the USPTO requirements for a complete and proper recordation of the interview. This statement is not to be considered as a response to the rejections of record. A Notice of Appeal is being filed concurrently herewith.

REMARKS

An Examiner's Interview Summary Record (PTO-413) was mailed to Applicants' representative on November 22, 2005.

During the interview, Applicants' representative discussed the new matter rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112 and the art rejections with the Examiner.

Based the arguments presented by Applicants' representative during the interview, the Examiner was persuaded to withdraw the new matter rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112.

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Statement of Substance of Interview


Therefore, the amendment to formula (16) in claim 1 is fully supported by the specification and is not new matter.

With respect to the art rejections, the Examiner maintained the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103 over Ikematsu, JP 05059103 or JP 05051406 in combination with Tsujimoto, JP 8073515.

It is respectfully submitted that the instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

It is believed that no petition or fee is required. However, if the USPTO deems otherwise, Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Respectfully submitted,


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